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SUBJECT: SUGAR: TALKING POINTS ON RECENT EVENTS

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REF: (A) SANTO DOMINGO 4860 (NOTAL); (B) STATE 184710;
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1. AS POINTED OUT IN REFTEL B, SENATE/HOUSE CONFEREES
APPROVED LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD SUPPORT U.S. DOMESTIC
RAW SUGAR PRICES AT 13.5 CENTS PER POUND. AS PROMISED
IN REFTEL C, THE FOLLOWING TALKING POINTS ARE PROVIDED

FOR USE IN UPDATING HOST GOVERNMENTS AND FOR THE USE
OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG IF SUGAR SHOULD BE DISCUSSED:

- THE SENATE/HOUSE ACTION DOES NOT CHANGE OUR OBJECTIVE
OF ACHIEVING A VIABLE INTERNATIONAL SUGAR AGREEMENT (ISA).
- WE WILL PARTICIPATE IN AND WORK TOWARDS THE SUCCESSFUL
NEGOTIATION OF AN ISA.
- WE LOOK FORWARD TO CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE CARIBBEAN
COUNTRIES AT THE CONFERENCE. WE HOPE THEY COME TO GENEVA
WITH THE SAME CONSTRUCTIVE ATTITUDE WITH WHICH WE
APPROACH THE NEGOTIATIONS.
- IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE ISA HAVE THE BROADEST POS-
SIBLE MEMBERSHIP, INCLUDING OPEC AND G-77 IMPORTERS IN

ORDER TO MAKE IT FUNCTION PROPERLY. WE HOPE CARIBBEAN
EXPORTERS USE THEIR INFLUENCE ON THESE IMPORTERS TO
JOIN A NEW ISA.

- WE EXPECT THE PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM WILL REQUIRE
TARIFFS OR QUOTAS TO BE EFFECTIVE. WE ARE NOW THINKING
IN TERMS OF AN AD VALOREM TARIFF IN ADDITION TO OUR
CURRENT 1.875 CENT PER POUND TARIFF. A GLOBAL QUOTA IS
ANOTHER POSSIBILITY.
 - THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION PROVIDES FOR A SUSPENSION OF
THE DOMESTIC PRICE SUPPORT MEASURES IF AN INTERNATIONAL
SUGAR AGREEMENT IS NEGOTIATED AND SUCCEEDS IN RAISING
DOMESTIC SUGAR PRICES TO SPECIFIED LEVELS.
 - COUNTRY BY COUNTRY IMPORT QUOTAS WILL BE AVOIDED.
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- SENATE AND HOUSE ACTION IS STILL REQUIRED BEFORE THE
LEGISLATION IS SENT TO THE PRESIDENT AFTER CONGRESS
RETURNS FROM ITS SUMMER RECESS. CHRISTOPHER

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